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SUBJ: USDEL MEETING WITH IGLESIAS

1. USDEL SOUGHT EARLY OCCASION TO MEET WITH IGLESIAS AND MEMBERS HIS STAFF TO GET FROM HIM HIS VIEW OF LIKELY DIRECTION ECLA PLENARY. IGLESIAS SAID HE WANTS TWO THINGS FROM CURRENT SESSION: 1) A LATIN AMERICAN VIEW OF PROGRESS MADE UNDER INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, AND 2) A MANDATE FOR ECLA ACTIVITIES DURING NEXT TWO YEARS, CONCENTRATING ACTIVITIES IN PRIORITY AREAS.

2. SUBSTANTIVELY, IGLESIAS WANTS TO EMPHASIZE PROBLEMS OF MASS POVERTY, LATIN AMERICAN INTEGRATION, AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS. HE EMPHASIZED HIS HOPES FOR DIALOGUE, LOOKING TO SPECIFIC SOLUTIONS.

3. IGLESIAS REFERRED TO HIS HOPE TO CREATE STANDING COMMITTEES ON TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY, INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION, AND
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POPULATION. HE RECALLED THAT DEPARTMENT HAD SUPPORTED CREATION OF

THESE COMMITTEES. AMBASSADOR WHITE POINTED OUT THAT DEPARTMENT'S
SUPPORT FOR COMMITTEES WAS CONTINGENT ON INCLUSION OF US AND SOLICITED

HIS VIEWS. IGLESIAS DEVELOPED WHAT HE REGARDS AS POSSIBLE
COMPROMISE ARRANGEMENT ON EXCLUSIVITY. HE SUGGESTED THAT IT
MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO HAVE COMMITTEES INCLUDE ALL MEMBERS OF ECLA,
BUT RESERVING TO COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AUTHORITY TO CREATE EXCLUSIVE
SUB-COMMITTEES FOR CONSIDERATION OF PARTICULAR SUBJECTS WHEN THIS
DEEMED
ESSENTIAL BY LATINS. USDEL DID NOT INDICATE AGREEMENT OR OPPOSITON
TO THIS PROPOSAL. (FYI, OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT PROPOSED
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION COMMITTEE WOULD EXCLUDE US, SCIENCE

AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE EXPECTED TO INCLUDE US, AND POPULATION
COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP NOT YET CONSIDERED. END FYI)

4. ON OTHER ACTIVITIES OF ECLA, IGLESIAS MENTIONED PARTICULARLY
HIS DESIRE TO ARRANGE WITH FAO A POST-ROME LA FOOD CONFERENCE.
HE ALSO FAVORS (BUT GAVE NO DETAILS) ECLA BECOMING MORE INVOLVED
IN THE ENERGY FIELD.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: CAN US SUPPORT "COMPROMISE" (PARA 3 ABOVE)
ON COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP IF PROPOSED?
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